

With only 4 weeks remaining before the June 30 Solarize Mass program deadline, The Town would like to share this letter from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (MassCEC), highlighting the success we have already had in the program and what we can still achieve.



Dear Solarize Mass Great Barrington-Egremont Resident:

I would like to update you on your community's progress as we approach the end of the Solarize Massachusetts program.

To date, Great Barrington-Egremont has 49 solar photovoltaic (PV) contracts (Egremont has 25) signed with RGS Energy, your community's chosen installer. These contracts equate to 347.4 (Egremont has 185) kilowatts of solar capacity, putting your community in Tier 5 pricing, which is the most competitive pricing available under the program! This means that the average customer purchasing a solar PV system under the program will save about 30% relative to the average market cost per watt in Massachusetts, currently \$4.93/watt.

If you are not interested in purchasing a system, you also have the opportunity to enter into a lease or power purchase agreement, which will enable you to save money on your electricity bill.

The Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (MassCEC) and the Department of Energy Resources (DOER) are very excited about the statewide success of the Solarize Mass program. To date, the 15 participating communities in this round of the program have signed a total of 363 solar PV contracts for a total of 2350 kilowatts of capacity. The systems installed under this program will produce clean, renewable energy for residents and businesses at prices below traditional sources of electricity.

The dedicated solar coaches, who are community volunteers, have worked diligently to make sure people have the information and tools they need to participate in the program. As a result of their hard work, close to 428 residents in your community have expressed interest in the program! In the days ahead, be sure to reach out to RGS Energy at 888-567-6527 or to your solar coach and volunteer team at solarizeegremont@gmail.com or SolarizeGB@gmail.com to answer any remaining questions you may have. Or, to learn more about the program, go to www.solarizemass.com.

Please note that in order to receive the pricing offered as part of the Solarize Mass program, you will need to sign a contract by June 30.

Thank you for helping us make the Solarize Mass program such a success. Whether you contract for an installation, help spread the word about the program, or just take the time to learn more about solar, we appreciate your participation in our efforts to expand renewable energy in Massachusetts.

Best Regards,

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